

Public Printer's Message

For the Government Printing Office (GPO), fiscal year 1998 began with a major, congressionally-ordered management review that revealed strong support for our operations. It ended in an avalanche of activity associated with producing and disseminating the various documents delivered by Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr, earning GPO widespread recognition in Congress, in the industry, and among the public for our rapid production and dissemination of these materials in both print and electronic formats. In between, *GPO Access*, our popular online information service (www.access.gpo.gov), was recognized by Vice President Gore as one of the best "Feds on the Web," and we made major strides in the computerized equipment modernization of our plant. In spite of the continued transition of our mission from traditional print-based production to the provision of information services in multiple formats, we ended fiscal year 1998 with consolidated net income for the second consecutive year, and our financial statements were once again found to meet the highest standards by an independent financial auditor.



The positive results of fiscal year 1998 can be attributed entirely to the efforts of the men and women of GPO, and I am extremely proud of what they were able to achieve. The skilled work of GPO's dedicated employees enables Congress to function smoothly and allows Federal agencies to fulfill their responsibilities effectively. Most importantly, their work makes it possible for the Federal Government to keep America informed. We look forward to the challenge of continuing to fulfill this important responsibility with new technology solutions as we approach the opening of the 21st century.

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